

Least Grebe (*Tachybaptus dominicus*)

(5 subspecies; 3 within plan area)

Population Trend (PT)

T. dominicus dominicus—unknown (Delany and Scott 2002)

T. dominicus brachypterus—unknown (Delany and Scott 2002)

T. dominicus bangsi—unknown (Delany and Scott 2002)

“expected to be stable...” (O’Donnel and Fjeldsa 1997)

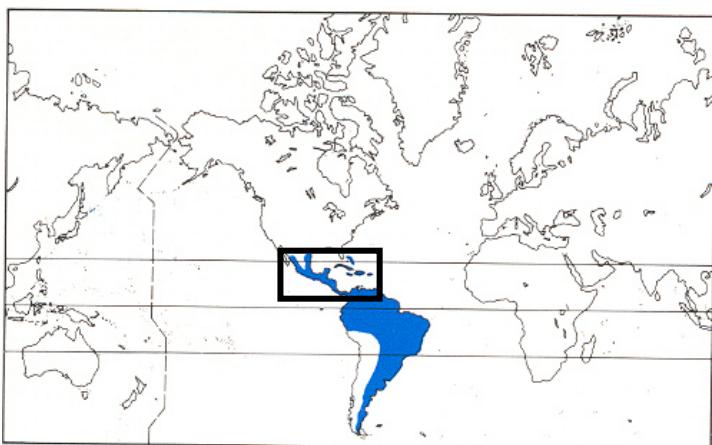
Trend estimated to be declining (Marshbird Workshop 2005)

PT FACTOR SCORE=4

Conservation Concern Category:

High Concern

Global Range (Harrison 1983; inset=plan area range)



Breeding Distribution (BD)

T. dominicus dominicus—N Caribbean Islands (Delany and Scott 2002)

T. dominicus brachypterus—S USA, Mexico, Central America (Delany and Scott 2002)

T. dominicus bangsi—Baja California, Mexico (Delany and Scott 2002)

1,835,700 km² (plan area distribution; estimated from range maps)

Breeding range estimated to be smaller and more local than depicted by general range maps (Marshbird Workshop 2005)

BD FACTOR SCORE=4

Non-breeding Distribution (ND)

T. dominicus dominicus—N Caribbean Islands (Delany and Scott 2002)

T. dominicus brachypterus—S USA, Mexico, Central America (Delany and Scott 2002)

T. dominicus bangsi—Baja California, Mexico (Delany and Scott 2002)

1,835,700 km² (plan area distribution; estimated from range maps)

ND FACTOR SCORE=4

Threats to Breeding Populations (TB)

“apparently quick to adapt to environmental changes...” (O’Donnel and Fjeldsa 1997)

“flooding of nest reported...hunting and persecution by humans occurs in much of the range...” (Storer 1992)

TB FACTOR SCORE=4

Threats to Non-breeding Populations (TN)

“killed in very cold winters...” (Storer 1992)

TN FACTOR SCORE=4

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